GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – MA&UD Department – Gudivada Municipality – Irregularities in processing 69 contingent bills amounting to Rs.54,97,547/- from Municipal General Funds in 2022 without following due procedure – Initiation of disciplinary proceedings under Rule-20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 against Sri M.D.S.S. Ratan, the then Assistant Audit Officer, Gudivada Municipality (now Financial Officer, Krishna University, Machilipatnam) – Articles of charges – Issued.

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MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 1402 Dated: 03-12-2025

Read the following:-

1. From the CDMA, Lr. Roc.No.R-7375338/2023/C2.dated.9.03.2024
2. From the CDMA, Roc.No.R-7375338/2023/C2, dated 23.09.2025
3. G.O.Rt.No.1392, MA&UD (Vig.II) Dept, Dated. 03.12.2025.

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O R D E R:

It is proposed to hold an inquiry against Sri M.D.S.S. Ratan, the then Assistant Audit Officer, Gudivada Municipality (now Financial Officer, Krishna University, Machilipatnam) in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The statement of articles of charges and statement of imputations of misconduct and misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed Annexures I & II. A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charges proposed to be sustained are also enclosed in Annexures - III & IV.

3. Sri M.D.S.S. Ratan, the then Assistant Audit Officer, Gudivada Municipality (now Financial Officer, Krishna University, Machilipatnam) is directed to submit his written statement of defense within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

4. Sri M.D.S.S. Ratan, the then Assistant Audit Officer, Gudivada Municipality (now Financial Officer, Krishna University, Machilipatnam) is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each Article of charge.

5. Sri M.D.S.S. Ratan, the then Assistant Audit Officer, Gudivada Municipality (now Financial Officer, Krishna University, Machilipatnam) is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para (3) above, further action will be processed based on the material available.

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6. Sri M.D.S.S. Ratan, the then Assistant Audit Officer, Gudivada Municipality (now Financial Officer, Krishna University, Machilipatnam) is invited to Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that above said Sri M.D.S.S. Ratan, the then Assistant Audit Officer, Gudivada Municipality (now Financial Officer, Krishna University, Machilipatnam) is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, A.P, Vaddeswaram is requested to serve the charge Memo to the charged officer along with copies of documents as per Annexures and furnish the dated acknowledgement. If dated acknowledgement is not received in the stipulated time, they are requested to propose for initiation of disciplinary action against the responsible official and furnish the draft article of charges against them without any delay.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S. SURESH KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri M.D.S.S. Ratan, the then Assistant Audit Officer, Gudivada Municipality
(now Financial Officer, Krishna University, Machilipatnam) through the C&DMA, A.P, Vaddeswaram
The Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, A.P, Vaddeswaram
Copy to:
The RDMA, Rajamahendravaram,
The Commissioner, Gudivada Municipality.
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SECTION OFFICER